

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A view-finding method of an image-capturing apparatus, comprising steps of:
selecting a desired one from a plurality of predetermined aspect ratios; and
showing an image frame to be taken by said image-capturing apparatus and
marking on said image frame according to said selected aspect ratio to
distinguish a desired frame portion from the other frame portion.
2. The method according to claim 1 wherein said step of selecting said desired
aspect ratio is performed by the user via an input interface.
3. The method according to claim 2 wherein said input interface is a button.
4. The method according to claim 1 wherein said image-capturing apparatus is
a digital still camera or a digital video camera for obtaining a digital data file of
said image frame.
5. The method according to claim 4 wherein digital information associated with
said selected aspect ratio is recorded into said digital data file to be outputted to
a display or a printer.
6. The method according to claim 1 wherein said image frame is marked with a
relatively bright and a relatively dark portions to show said desired frame
portion and an undesired frame portion, respectively.
7. The method according to claim 1 wherein said image frame is marked with
segmental symbols to define said desired frame portion.
8. A view-finding device of an image-capturing apparatus, comprising:
an image display window showing an image frame to be taken by said image-
capturing apparatus;
an input interface allowing a user to give a command therevia for designating
an aspect ratio; and
a micro-controller in communication with said input interface, having said

image frame to be marked in a specific pattern in response to said command.

9. The view-finding device according to claim 8 further comprising a storage unit for storing a digital image data file of said image frame, which incorporates therein the information associated with said aspect ratio.

10. The view-finding device according to claim 9 wherein said storage unit is a flash memory.

11. The view-finding device according to claim 8 wherein said input interface is a button.

12. The view-finding device according to claim 8 wherein said image display window is a viewfinder or a liquid crystal display.

13. The view-finding device according to claim 8 wherein said image frame is marked with a relatively bright and a relatively dark portions to show a desired frame portion and an undesired frame portion, respectively.

14. The view-finding device according to claim 8 wherein said image frame is marked with segmental symbols to define a desired frame portion.

15. The view-finding device according to claim 8 wherein said image-capturing apparatus is one of a digital still camera and a video camera.

16. A view-finding device of an image-capturing apparatus, comprising an image display window showing an image frame to be taken by said image-capturing apparatus, wherein said image frame is marked thereon with plural sets of symbols to define a plurality of frame portions corresponding to a plurality of predetermined aspect ratios.

17. The view-finding device according to claim 16 wherein said image display window is a viewfinder or a liquid crystal display.

18. The view-finding device according to claim 16 wherein said image-capturing apparatus is one of a digital still camera and a video camera.

19. The view-finding device according to claim 16 wherein said symbols are segmental symbols.